



Economic Development Advisory Council

Wednesday, June 25, 2014 7:30 – 9:00 AM
Americana Room, Hampshire Hills Athletic Club, 50 Emerson Road

AGENDA

1. **Approval of Minutes – May 21, 2014**
2. **Update on the UNH Business Retention and Expansion Program:** Joint Effort between Souhegan Valley Chamber of Commerce, Milford Community Development, Amherst Community Development
3. **Community Development Director – Sign Regulations in the Zoning Ordinance** (Unpermitted Temporary Signage – Banners/Pennants/Balloons/Flags...) – Possible Revisions
4. **Status of Finalization of Community Economic Development Survey**
5. **Community Development Update**
6. **Other Business**
 - a. EDAC work plan
 - b. Membership
 - c. Next meeting date
 - d. Other

Economic Development Advisory Council Charge (approved by the BOS 07/13/09)

*The charge of the Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC) shall be to develop and recommend economic Development policy in accordance with the goals of the Milford Board of Selectmen and Milford Master Plan, and, utilizing the report **Recommendations to Foster Economic Development in Milford**, dated June 8, 2009, facilitate the economic development goals, recommendations, and actions at the direction of the Board of Selectmen.*

Economic development is defined in many ways, but in general, can be stated as a program, group of policies, and/or activity that seeks to improve the economic well-being and quality of life for a community. Economic development not only retains jobs and provides a stable tax base but also promotes economic betterment by continually improving human development, education, health, safety, and well-being for the citizens of a community.

Vision Statement from the Milford Master Plan Update (April 2007) Community Character Chapter:

Through responsible management and promotion of individual and community stewardship, Milford will be a sustainable community rich in physical, cultural, economic and social diversity, and will be characterized by a small-town atmosphere; a vibrant downtown; an active business community; human scale interconnected neighborhoods; local agriculture; and the preservation of natural resources, rural landscapes and historic features.